



**CITY OF BRAWLEY
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
July 17, 2018**

The Parks and Recreation Department of the City of Brawley, California met in a regular session at 12:00 PM, Lions Center Small Meeting Room, 225 A Street, Brawley, California, the date, time and place duly established for the holding of said meeting.

The meeting was called to order by: Garcia 12:08pm

PRESENT: Benavides, Estrada, Jauregui, Garcia, Hamby

ABSENT: Miller, Cornejo

STAFF: Perez, Mello, Self

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted m/s/c: Estrada/Benavides

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS: None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Parks and Recreation Committee minutes for June 12, 2018 were approved as submitted. m/s/c: Estrada/Garcia

4. REGULAR BUSINESS

a. Update on Senior Center and Hinojosa Park Project:

Perez reported Hinojosa Park is complete except for the automatic light system. The internet service to run the Sim cards are with AT&T only and the cards needed with Verizon therefore they will not work. The Technology Technician and the electrician are working with vendors to come up with a solution. The Park field was aerated on July 16, 2018 but there are large ruts left from the equipment coming onto the Park Field that was used for the project. Two new valves need to be installed on the "J" Street area to cover the South end. The basketball court is smaller than what it previously was. Garcia asked of the horseshoe pit was going to be moved because of the stage being planned in the water tower area? Perez commented "no at this time" and suggested that maybe the stage could be placed in the area between the basketball court and restrooms. Garcia stated he was afraid of displacing soccer teams even if it is not a regulation soccer field and only used for practice. Garcia stated the organization Amigo de la Comunidad had gone

to Council and received approval for the water tower site. Hamby stated he was told that the legs of the water tower were going to be used in the stage structure after the tower is torn down to a certain point. How was that going to be accomplished? Garcia stated to his knowledge there were monies at some point set aside to tear down the structure. Hamby mentioned he would check with Rosanna Moore, City Manager. Perez stated the East/West side of Hinojosa Park would have enclosed electrical outlets. There are conduit sleeves placed for the future. Jauregui asked if there is a plan to replace trees. Perez stated it was in the plan. Mrs. Lopez, whom is a resident across from the Park, came into the Office and said she would donate a tree. Mello explained to the Commission there is a Forestry Grant that was done by the City of El Centro which includes giving many trees to the City of Brawley.

Perez reported on the Senior Center Project which is 80% complete. There is another change order that needs to go to Council. Mello stated the Finance Department is looking into making sure of the amount that is left on the Grant. Perez said there is a new roof being placed on the Patio. Cement has been placed and three tables have already been approved for the site. Completion is expected for the end of July 2018.

b. Update on Dive-In Movie:

Self reported the Dive-In movie event was a success. There were approximately 525 people that attended the event. Perez cooked the hotdogs, Estrada/Jauregui set up the screen and sound system. Self gave a big "Thank you" to all commissioners and businesses who assisted in the success of the event. Such as, Estrada for the sound system, Cornejo/Garcia for chips and Otter pops, Jauregui for going to Costco, Walmart and Vons in getting donations. Self also reported Hacienda Market, Chabela's Restaurant and Johnny's Burritos provided tea, punch lemonade and water for the event. Mello said it would be nice to do "Thank you" notes and have Garcia sign as President. Self said she would work on them. She reported Council Members Norma Jauregui and Sam Couchman attended the event as well as the City Manager, Rosanna Moore.

c. Summer Program update:

Self reported we were on our 2nd week of Camp and the theme is Summer Day Camp on the Farm. There will be some farm animals visiting the campers on Friday. Perez gave the Commission an update in written form which entails:

1. The Parks Crew has trimmed 246 Palm trees, 16 @ Malan and 1st, 3 @ Triangles, 3 @ Meserve Park, 1 @ Kisse Park, 5 @ Pat Williams Park. Dead Trees removed: 4 @ Hinojosa Park, 1 @ Guadalupe Park, 1 @ Cattle Call. There is 1 @ CDF/ROW and the trees at the Transit Station that need to be trimmed and or removed.
2. Place 17 Veteran's Banners on Main Street.
3. Painted the hand ball court at Hinojosa Park

Hamby has a question if these were new duties or ongoing? Perez stated these are additional duties we do. Coming up on prepping of Cattle Call for the events will in on September through November 2018. The department will be hiring temporary workers for the Cattle Call events soon.

5. COMMISSION REPORTS

Hamby stated he was going to do a presentation at City Council regarding a test on Hinojosa Park using a drill and fill process. Perez mentioned we aerate once a year, but more man power is needed. With the help from Jauregui, Helena Chemicals agreed to donate fertilizer for 30 acres.

ADJOURNMENT @ 1:18pm. m/s/c: Estrada/Benavides

Rachel Zepeda, Administrative Secretary